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SUBJECT: PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY FUNDING DEMARCHE DELIVERED

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Classified By: Economic Counselor Stuart Smith, Reasons 1.4 (b) and (d)

¶1. (C) Polcouns conveyed reftel USG views on supporting the Palestinian Authority (PA) on April 22, to Lahcen Saile of the Regional Arab Affairs Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. He said he would convey the points to Inspector General Azeroual, MFA Middle East head. Econoff also delivered this demarche to Director for American Affairs Abderrahim Rahhaly, who noted that the Government of Morocco does not share other Arab nations' reticence about supporting the PA.

¶2. (C) Rabat,s views closely coincide with our own. For all its faults, they support the PA, and provide it assistance, while they have no relationship at all with Hamas. Other Moroccan aid for the Palestinians, government-funded as well as private donations channeled through approved mechanisms, goes directly to hospitals or other recipients.

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